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SUBJECT LINE: Summary on Health Workforce Summit & SHCIP Draft Plan Update

This email is being sent on behalf of Karen Merrikin, State Health Care Innovation Planning Project Director.

On September 5, 39 health workforce leaders from the private and public sectors met to develop recommendations for workforce needs to be included in the State Health Care Innovation Plan. We invite you to review the 11-page <a href="Health Workforce Leader Summit Summary">Health Workforce Leader Summit Summary</a>, now posted on the SHCIP website's Resources and Documents page.

Major elements of Draft Innovation Plan to be shared during October 15 webinar: We will release and discuss the major elements of the State Health Care Innovation Plan that will drive health care transformation in our state during the October 15 SHCIP webinar (11 am to 12:30 pm). The release of the major elements will be followed by the release of the detailed Draft Plan later in October. If you have yet to register for the October 15 webinar, we invite you to register now. The webinar will provide the first glimpse at the dynamic and inclusive ways the Innovation Plan will transform health care in Washington State.

Recently, the funder for this project (the federal Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation or CMMI) awarded every recipient of a State Innovation Model pre-test and design grant more time to complete their work. The end-date of the project has changed to December 31, 2013. Doing so gave us the opportunity to extend discussions, perform more analysis, and incorporate more of your feedback into the Plan's design. The late-October release date of the draft plan does not shorten the amount of time the public will have to review and comment on the proposed plan. The extension provided by CMMI simply shifts our timeline. If you have questions about this, please let us know at simquestions@hca.wa.gov.

With appreciation for your participation,

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